

**Notice of Determination****- 1 -****To:**

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**SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21108**

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2017062057

**Project Title:** Fulton Road Widening Improvement Project [California Endangered Species Act (CESA) Incidental Take Permit No. 2081-2020-050-03 (ITP)]

**Project Location (include county):** The Fulton Road Widening Improvement Project (Project) is located on an approximately 1-mile-long section of Fulton Road between Guerneville Road and Piner Road, in the City of Santa Rosa, Sonoma County (Figure 1). The Project extends just past Piner Road to the north and Guerneville Road to the south, and crosses Forestview Creek and Peterson Creek. The Project is bounded by a mix of rural and urban development to the north and east, a mix of undeveloped land and rural and urban development to the west, and urban development to the south. Piner Highschool abuts a portion of the project to the east, and the City of Santa Rosa's Youth Community Park abuts a portion to the west. The Project footprint is 12.5 acres and is located within Township 7N, Range 8W, Sections 8 and 17 of the Sebastopol U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle map, Mt. Diablo meridian. The Project's northern terminus is at approximately 38.467236°N, 122.769893°W, and the southern terminus is at approximately 38.452592°N, 122.769703°W (Figure 2).

**Project Description:** The Project includes the development of 12.5 acres, of which 2.0 acres are undeveloped grassland and wetland habitat, to widen and rehabilitate Fulton Road into a four-lane regional/arterial street including bike lanes, sidewalks, bioretention areas, and landscaping. It also includes reconstructing driveways, filling roadside drainages, and culvert improvements at Forestview Creek and Peterson Creek. Roadway contouring and paving will primarily occur on the west side of Fulton Road. Project activities include grubbing and grading of the entire 2.0 acres of undeveloped grassland and wetland habitat, trench digging, road construction, tree removal, and other activities within the approximately 12.5-acre Project footprint. The Project will take approximately 26 months to complete.

The Project will result in impacts to 2.0 acres of California tiger salamander (*Ambystoma californiense*) habitat; the Project will permanently remove 2.0 acres of California tiger salamander habitat. The Project is expected to result in incidental take of California tiger salamander, which is designated as a threatened species under CESA. The ITP referenced above as issued by CDFW authorizes incidental take of species listed under CESA that may occur as a result of Project implementation.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as [ the lead agency /  a responsible agency] approved the above-described project on 7/23/2021 and made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. The project [ will /  will not] have a significant effect on the environment (This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a responsible agency).
2. [ An environmental impact report /  A negative declaration] was prepared by the lead agency for the original project.
3. Additional mitigation measures [ were /  were not] made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [ was /  was not] adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [ was /  was not] adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings [ were /  were not] made by CDFW pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21081(a). CDFW did, however, adopt findings to document its compliance with CEQA.

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7. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement at Fish and Game Code § 711.4 (check one):

Payment is submitted with this notice.

A copy of a receipt showing prior payment was submitted to CDFW.

Responsible Agency statement: The Negative Declaration prepared by the lead agency for the Project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the lead agency. CDFW's administrative record of proceedings related to the incidental take permit is available to the public for review at CDFW's regional office.

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*Stacy Sherman*

Signature

Date: 7/23/2021

Stacy Sherman, *Acting Regional Manager*

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_